Introduced by Assembly Member Butler

February 24, 2012

An act to amend Section 89708 of the Education Code, relating to the California State University.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 2427, as introduced, Butler. California State University: special session fees.

Existing law establishes the California State University, under the administration of the Trustees of the California State University, as one of the segments of public postsecondary education in this state. Existing law requires certain fees to be required of, and collected from, students enrolled in each special session, pursuant to rules and regulations prescribed by the Board of Trustees of the California State University.

This bill would prohibit special session fees at all campuses of the California State University for courses offered to matriculated students for credit towards an undergraduate or graduate degree, such as a bachelor's, master's, or doctoral degree, from exceeding fees charged per credit unit for any other academic term.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: yes. State-mandated local program: no.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

- 1 SECTION 1. Section 89708 of the Education Code is amended
- 2 to read:

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89708. (a) Tuition fees adequate, in the long run, to meet the cost of maintaining special sessions in the California State University shall be required of, and collected from, students enrolled in each special session under and pursuant to rules and regulations prescribed by the trustees.

(b) Special session fees at all campuses of the California State University for courses offered to matriculated students for credit towards an undergraduate or graduate degree, such as a bachelor's, master's, or doctoral degree, shall not exceed fees charged per credit unit for any other academic term.

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(c) "Special sessions," as used in this division, means self-supporting instructional programs conducted by the California State University. The special sessions shall include, but not be limited to, career enrichment and retraining programs. It is the intent of the Legislature that those programs, currently offered on a self-supporting basis by the California State University during summer sessions, may be provided throughout the year, and shall be known as special sessions. The self-supporting special sessions shall not supplant regular course offerings available on a non-self-supporting basis during the regular academic year.